

All Around News



The meeting was called to order @ 9:02 am. Jennie Adams agreed to act as secretary.

Roll call

Debby Kornegay	RACC
Marian Dykes	RTCC
Paul Padron	RJOCC
Toni Rand	RECC
Deb Walls	Alabama
Mike McCabe	Florida
Peggy Simpson	Georgia
Patricia Boudreaux	Louisiana
Nancy Hawkins	Mississippi
Jennie Adams	North Carolina
Joanne Child	South Carolina
Bob Valley	Tennessee

Deb K. distributed agendas and information packets to members, asked all members' cell phones be placed on silent mode, and requested that all gather for an updated picture. After returning to the table Deb K. asked that the Region 8 address list be checked for accuracy. She passed current thank you notes for members to read.

N. Hawkins asked for privilege of the floor to present a red/white/&blue quilt from the Region 8 states to Marian Dykes, celebrating an important birthday in late December.

Deb K. distributed a USA Gymnastics 2004-05 Operating Code and updated Planner dates to everyone. In the discussion of date changes T. Rand relayed that the Elite American Classic had been cancelled, but that the Challenge will continue as planned. M. Dykes updated information about judges' testing courses; specifically that because of the confusion around men's judging at the Olympics, no Codes were being released for either Men's or Women's FIG Gymnastics. Consequently all Brevet courses had been postponed; current ratings would be extended until rescheduled Brevet courses possibly in January or February 2006.

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Charleston, South Carolina

MOTION To change the date of the 2005 Level 9, 10, & Elite Training Camp to October 15-16 at Auburn, AL, with Coaches and Judges Optional Update planned for October 14-16.

Motion J. Child
Second M. McCabe

Passed with 1 no vote AL

MOTION To hold the 2005 Future Stars Camp from July 6-10 at two consecutive sites: Brandy Johnson's in Orlando, FL and Gymnastics Inc. in Myrtle Beach, SC

Motion P. Padron
Second P. Boudreaux

Passed unanimously

MOTION To accept the bid from Ace Gymnastics in the Orlando area for Level 8 & 9 Training Camp on July 29-31, 2005.

Motion D. Wall
Second B. Valley

Passed unanimously

Deb K. explained that an irregularity in the disbursement of funds to the SACC accounts had been corrected.

Deb K. reminded Regional officers that 11-15 was the deadline for articles for the Regional newsletter, which should be mailed before the end of December.

B. Valley gave an update on the 2005 9/10 Regionals to be held in Nashville. He asked for input from the Committee on upcoming decisions. The Committee requested that the word "identical" be emphasized when contracting for competitive and warm-up equipment.

Deb K. gave a brief update on the Level 8 Regionals to be held in Fort Lauderdale, FL.

P. Padron led discussion about open workouts at Level 9 & 10 Regionals. It was agreed that the Committee would stay with the last meeting's decision to have no open workouts at 9/10 Regionals. It was requested that B. Valley solicit space from area gyms for individualized workouts if requested.

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D. Wall explained that Level 4 meets in AL ran faster than scheduled when using the recommended planning formula from R & P.

She asked for advice about planning time to eliminate wasted, inter-session time. Other SACCs stated that they used planning times that worked in their state, and used the R & P times as guidelines.

When asked about setting a date for the Winter 2005 Region 8 Committee meeting, the Region 8 Committee asked to table the decision until the next meeting in June.

M. Dykes presented the 2004 Region 8 Congress financial report to the Committee. It was noted that after expenses were met, \$4500 was returned to the Region 8 account, and \$4500 was directed to a Region 8 NAWGJ Judges Education fund.

Deb K. presented the 2004 Level 8 Regional financial report noting that the meet exhibited a profit.

Deb K. reported that the Training Camp evaluations suggested that the gymnasts and clinicians liked having the additional person at each event in order to extend dialogues with participants.

Deb K. notified the Region 8 Committee that the GK Elite affiliation program, headed by Kylie Small, had a link on the Region 8 website.

Regional JO Program Paul Padron

P. Padron reported that gymnasts who received '04 Regional apparel thought the whole package to be "awesome". A total of \$22,195.63 was spent on adults and gymnasts.

Paul welcomed discussion on how to keep the number of gymnasts manageable at Level 9/10/Elite Training Camp yet be able to maintain the quality we've become accustomed to. Suggestions ranged from

- only allowing attendance from national qualifiers,
- limiting the number to no more than 2004's attendance,
- allowing registration on-line only up until a specific date,
- keeping the format that permitted open workouts to be spread around the weekend.

Paul indicated that he wished to continue using the volunteer services of judges and coaches equally and respectfully, but would like for the judges who will be judging JO Nationals to work the full camp, from beginning to end.

Paul asked the Committee to consider earmarking leftover funds to be able to plan for a bi or tri-annual event to take a small number of worthy gymnasts representing Region 8 to a competition or training experience in another country; perhaps Canada.

Paul also asked to be able to reward clinicians who volunteer beyond requested service.

MOTION To allocate as much as an additional \$1000 for the RJOCC to spend on additional apparel for folks doing additional work at Training Camps. (Such as working multiple camps.)

Motion J. Adams
Second M. Dykes
Passed unanimously

State Chairman Concerns

Deb K reminded the state chairs that Fourth Quarter Financial Statement is due 1-10-05.

Each state's Regional Competition fee should be mailed by 12-15-04.

It was requested that the AGE column on the Regional Entry Form be changed to reflect DD/MM/YYYY for sorting purposes.

Deb K. asked that at least 6 alternates be placed on the Regional Level 8 Alternate form along with 6 "yesses" of intent.

Deb asked for and received Equipment Inventory Report and USAG Competition forms from SACCs. She reviewed the State Meet reporting procedures for Regional entries. She emphasized that when receiving the gymnast information from each State Meet, make sure NO SPACES are placed before the names, DOB, or teams on the report form.

SACCs are reminded to call, fax, or e-mail the numbers of Level 8's @ 30.00AA & @ 34.00 and Level 9 & 10's @ 34.00AA on 03-07-05. P. Padron stated that he saw no reason for the RJOCC to receive the mailed packets immediately after State Meets since the information was

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being received by Deb, Marian, and the Meet Directors.

Deb K. requested the name of each state's apparel coordinator for Level 8, 9/10 Regionals.

TOPS & Elite Program

Toni Rand reported that each state's TOPs coordinator would be appointed by the summer. Having clinics and testings held in each state, rather than on a Regional basis will change the Region's TOPs format. The clinic fees will continue to be \$45/entry with no gate allowed and no awards given. Toni and the state coordinator will decide on the number and choice of clinicians who will receive about \$75/session of about 4 hours. The facility will receive \$5/athlete up to \$200.

Toni reported that Region 8 had 561 gymnasts tested last season. She proposed that the \$35 testing fee be split between the testing site - \$10, and the Region 8 TOPS account - \$15 after the \$10 mandatory fee is paid to the National office. Toni reminded the Committee of a Dec.18, 2004 TOPS clinic at American Twisters along with the Elite clinic.

Elite Competitions Entry fees are \$75.00 for one part and \$125.00 for two parts.

WTC and RTC/JO Report

Marian Dykes reminded the states that In-Gym cards were mailed to all Level 10+ judges responding to the Availability Form, as well as being on the Region 8 website. Marian also outlined the USA Gymnastics procedures that judges' testing will follow. There will be a task force meeting on the Nov. 30 - Dec. 1 to outline procedures for recertification of judges. Initially tests for new ratings will be administered as follows: Level 5/6 rating (Levels 1-4 automatic), Level 7/8 rating with only

Level 8 on film, and a separate 9 & 10 test.

Paul Padron and Marian reported that the Regional Technical Committee and Junior Olympic Committee will jointly present two National Master Workshops at Louisville and Reno in early June 2005. National Judges Symposium will offer the first judging tests in Portland in early July. The first National Judges Courses will be presented after Congress in Indianapolis on Aug. 14-16 with the second course Aug. 17-20, 2005.

While the Brevet ratings have been extended until 2006, every judge will have to retest for a 5/6 compulsory rating.

There will be two separate registrations for the Master Workshops; compulsory and optional. Participants will be able to purchase compulsory and optional books along with DVD's. The JO Code of Points and the Coaches/Judges Technical Handbook will be one document.

Deb K. opened discussion about sanction violations. If the SACC knows ahead of time about possible irregularities, he/she should try to warn Meet Director. If SACC learns of violations after the fact, he/she should follow-up after the meet with a written letter to Deb. K. and the national office.

Next Committee meeting was set for June 9, 2005 in Reno, NV @ 9:00am.

Motion to adjourn at 3:40 pm.

Motion. N. Hawkins.

Second P. Boudreaux.

Passed unanimously.

Financial Report

7/1/04 - 10/30/04



INCOME:

Clinics/Workshop - - - -	30,954.00
Donations - - - - -	2,355.00
Promotional - - - - -	1,585.57
Rebates Athlete - - - -	3,987.00
Rebates Pro - - - - -	4,342.27
Returned Check - - - -	155.00

Total Income - - - - - \$43,378.84

EXPENSES:

Awards/Apparel - - - - -	2,216.00
Certification-Testing Ex - - - -	79.00
Travel - Meetings - - - - -	2,334.40
Clinics/Workshop Exp. - - - -	3,779.68
Communications - - - - -	5,565.43
Office - - - - -	2,600.13
Promotions - - - - -	225.00
Bank Charge- - - - -	36.06

Total Expenses - - - - - \$ 16,835.70

TOTAL INCOME/EXPENSE \$ 26,543.14